

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior listings of claims in the present application.

What is claimed is:

1. **(currently amended)** An advertisement information supplying system for supplying advertisement information via a computer network to a terminal apparatus of an advertisement viewer (~~viewing person~~), comprising:

a plurality of storage apparatuses, each of which ~~store~~ stores therein advertisement information related to an advertisement owner;

means for accepting identification information of an advertisement viewer from a terminal apparatus of said advertisement viewer;

means for selecting a storage apparatus storing advertisement information which is supplied to said advertisement viewer based upon the accepted identification information of the advertisement viewer; and

advertisement information supplying means for judging as to whether or not said selected storage apparatus is operative,

and for supplying the advertisement information related to the advertisement owner stored in said selected storage apparatus to the terminal apparatus of the advertisement viewer in case that it is judged that the selected storage apparatus is operative,

and [[or]] for supplying the advertisement information related to the advertisement owner stored in an operative storage apparatus other than the selected storage apparatus in case that it is judged that the selected storage apparatus is not operative.

2. **(currently amended)** A program product capable of causing an advertisement information supplying system to supply advertisement information via a computer network to a terminal apparatus of an advertisement viewer, said advertisement information supplying system comprising a plurality of storage apparatuses, each of which ~~store~~ stores therein advertisement information related to an advertisement owner, said program product storing appropriate computer codes to execute:

a process for accepting identification information of an advertisement viewer from a terminal apparatus of said advertisement viewer;

a process for selecting a storage apparatus storing advertisement information which is supplied to said advertisement viewer based upon the accepted identification information of the advertisement viewer; and

a process for judging as to whether or not said selected storage apparatus is operative, and for supplying the advertisement information related to the advertisement owner stored in said selected storage apparatus to the terminal apparatus of the advertisement viewer in case that it is judged that the selected storage apparatus is operative,

and ~~[[or]]~~ for supplying the advertisement information related to the advertisement owner stored in an operative storage apparatus other than the selected storage apparatus in case that it is judged that the selected storage apparatus is not operative.

3. **(currently amended)** A method for supplying advertisement information to a terminal apparatus of an advertisement viewer via a computer network, comprising:

a step for storing advertisement information related to one advertisement owner into each of a plurality of storage apparatus;

a step for accepting identification information of an advertisement viewer from a terminal apparatus of said advertisement viewer;

a step for selecting a storage apparatus storing advertisement information which is supplied to said advertisement viewer based upon the accepted identification information of the advertisement viewer; and

a step for judging as to whether or not said selected storage apparatus is operative, and for supplying the advertisement information related to the advertisement owner stored in said selected storage apparatus to the terminal apparatus of the advertisement viewer in case that it is judged that the selected storage apparatus operative,

and [[or]] for supplying the advertisement information related to the advertisement owner stored in an operative storage apparatus other than the selected storage apparatus in case that it is judged that the selected storage apparatus is not operative.

AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE:

Please replace the title of the present application with the following rewritten title:

**MALFUNCTION RESISTANT ADVERTISEMENT INFORMATION SUPPLYING SYSTEM
HAVING A PLURALITY OF STORAGE APPARATUSES**